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(Case No. 00-838-Q/600.038)

In the Application of:)
Eckstein et al.) Examiner: Dana H. Shin
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RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION MAILED SEPTEMBER 15, 2006

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action Mailed September 15, 2003, the Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the patent application identified above in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.